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Applicant: Michael J. Rutter
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Non-final Office Action dated 09/07/2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. No additional fees are believed to be due.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.